

## Spring Clean Up Due on May 5

AGAWAM — The Department of Public Works annual spring clean-up will begin the week of May 5, according to Donald C. Campbell, department superintendent.

Crews will be dispatched throughout town to remove residents unwanted accumulations of leaves, tree trimmings and other debris not normally picked up with trash collection, he said.

## "Like It Is"

George B. Bickford

It seems as if our Town Fathers, particularly in the school department, have been rather hesitant to tell us exactly what the Visiting Evaluation Committee has to say about our high school. Many teachers hinted to me that the Evaluation was quite informative and revealing, and I was thus influenced to do some investigation on my own. I was fortunate enough to obtain a copy of this evaluation in its entirety and found that there were many more recommendations than commendations.

In spite of the fact that we received 10 year accreditation for our present facility, the evaluation, and other surveys, prove that there is much room for improvement to at least state averages. An administrator at the high school confirmed the fact that in a survey of 49 Western - Mass. schools, we were 48th in expenditures per student per year—which is nothing to brag about!

What reassured me that I am following the right track in the students fight for a new high school was the following paragraph from the Evaluation: With changing educational requirements and the continued growth of Agawam, it is fortunate that this evaluation coincides with a current study of school building needs in this community with particular reference to a proposed Middle School. This study should examine not only the needs of a Middle School but also the future needs of the High School. The result may indicate the practicality of converting the present High School into a Middle School and constructing a totally new facility for the High School. I truly wish that each and every parent in this Town had access to a copy of this report to view objectively the situation which is now playing our School System.



## Our Men In Service

WICHITA FALLS, Tex.—Airman Richard A. Whitman, formerly of 107 Fairview St., Agawam, has been graduated from a U.S. Air Force technical school at Sheppard AFB, Tex.

The airman, who was trained as a medical services specialist, will remain at Sheppard for further training.

He is a graduate of Agawam H.S. and received his degree in biology in 1968 from St. Anselm's College, Manchester, N.Y.

Airman Whitman is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William P. Whitman Jr.

## LOCAL ITEMS CAN NOT BE ACCEPTED AFTER MON. A M

TODAY'S AGRI-FACT: Backyard gardeners are reminded by State Markets Director, Nat Tilden, to plant cool weather vegetables like peas and lettuce now. Also that onion sets give quicker results than planting seeds and transplanting lettuce plants means earlier heads.

The favorite costume of a Detroit mother-to-be was a green maternity blouse over green slacks. She hadn't realized how often she'd worn it until her TV-minded six-year-old, seeing her approaching, called out "Here comes the Jolly Green Giant!"

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## The Answer to Pollution Lies Elsewhere



V. R. Moreno

Mr. Reynolds' penchant for using figures to confuse is something that leaves one cold. He now tells us he visited the sewage treatment plant at Bondi's Island on April 10th. He says he read the meters and that "at the moment I witnessed the meters at 4:30 P.M. the town of Agawam was putting into sewage at the rate of 2 million gallons per day." Mr. Reynolds knows that "at that moment" was a peak time, what he refuses to state is through the late night and on through the early morning (from 1 to 8 A.M.) there is hardly any flow at all. In other words, the sewage does not flow at the rate of 2 MGD for the full 24 hours of the day. I am sure this was explained to him but he obviously did not choose to tell it as it is Why?

What he, Mr. Reynolds, should know but doesn't, is the only amount of sewage that will come out at the other end is what we put into it at this end. The town of Agawam only buys 2 million gallons of water a day, and that is the only source of sewage. I say we send less than one million gallons a day through the Bondi Island Treatment Plant. My estimate of how much water of the 2 million gallons we buy does not go to the sewers is drawn from hundreds of homes have septic tanks, swimming pools, lawn watering, farmers irrigating, car washing, etc.

Now lets look at the Reynolds' statement of "not substituting pollution for profit". Mr. Reynolds should know that if he intends to stop "pollution" entirely then the entire town should close shop and a judgement should be made on what causes polluting, and what measures to adapt. If he doesn't want sewage in the river let him find alternate solutions. We can not stop all home building, all business construction.

The way to stop pollution is not to stop expanding, nor to stand still, but to seek other means of sewage disposal. This is a world wide problem. It can't be solved by a total halt to building.

Lets look at this sensibly -- there is absolutely nothing we can do with our sewage at this time but just what we are now doing, unless Mr. Connolly and Mr. Reynolds have some "secret plan". Wouldn't it have been smart, especially since Mr. Reynolds admits that apartments are profitable, to have accepted the apartment builders' plan to only build 200 apartments, which would have taken some 2 years to complete before any sewage would be put into the system.

If the selectmen knew their job they would know the City of Springfield is preparing to build a new \$17 million sewer treatment plant. How nice to have had the profitable apartments paying taxes, plus the \$150. entrance fee per family unit that we sorely need. The 200 apartments that the planning board recommended would have contributed less than 20 thousand gallons a day to the sewer system. Surely as selectmen they must know Agawam is more advanced than any town on the river with their anti-pollution expenditures, are we to be penalized for being far ahead of everyone? "Now we understand?" I don't think so.

Is this the same kind of bungling that prevailed when the selectmen accepted the rubbish contract? Why is it we still have rubbish trucks on the streets collecting rubbish while the town is paying the new contractor to pick it up? Why is Mr. Reynolds tampering with the purchase of the new bucket loader the town meeting authorized Agawam to buy? Why did Mr. Reynolds intercede for an unqualified bidder? Undoubtedly, if the selectmen spent the same efforts toward the rubbish contract Agawam wouldn't find itself in the mess it now does. "Now we understand" why the town is going down hill on skids, in debt, and taxes. "Now we understand" what people mean when they say, "all the selectmen do is run a complaint department".

## YOUR HANDWRITING TELLS ALL

"He Knows You By Your Handwriting" will be the title of a lecture and demo. by Mr. David Skolnick, a well-known handwriting analyst in this area, at the Danahy P.T.A. annual banquet and installation which will be held on Wed. May 14, at 6:30 p.m.

Mr. Skolnick has been a practicing handwriting analyst for several years. His many friends have had the pleasure of having their handwriting analyzed by him.

He states that handwriting is not a matter of hands at all...it actually reflects the mind. No matter how hard a person tries nor how much he practices, he cannot change his writing nor his basic thinking.

This year the annual meeting will take place at Squires Restaurant where an excellent smorgasbord is planned.

Call anyone on your banquet committee for reservations for an interesting evening.

## Poor Teacher

Stout Teacher (instructing her pupils about birds and their habits)--At home I have a canary and it can do something which I cannot do. Do any of you know what this is?

Little Eric--I know; take a bath in a saucer.

## AGAWAM Dem Women's Meeting

The Agawam Dem. Womens Club will hold their Election meeting at the Cpt. Leonard House Tues. May 6, at 8 P.M.

This group will host key Dem. women from the surrounding towns and cities for a general political discussion.

The guest speakers for the evening will be Register of Deeds John Pierce Lynch, and State Dem. Committee-women Mrs. Russell Campbell from Chicopee, and Mrs. Donald Dowd, from W. Spfld., with a question and answer period to follow.

Included in the agenda will be the Election of Officers and Bd. of Dir. for the coming year.

Chm. for the month Mrs. Marcel Bedard will be assisted by Mrs. Mary Dubis, Mrs. John Shea, Mrs. Adele Gallano, Mrs. Bernard Battles, Mrs. Rita Dematos, Mrs. Nick. Donatini, Mrs. Mary Drew and Mrs. Jessie Boyer.

Refreshments will be served. Any interested person will be welcome.

All news copy must be brought or mailed to 435 River Rd. There is no pick-up of news at police station or anywhere else.

Most folks are about as happy as they make up their minds to be.

## The CIRCUS is COMING

When the 15th Annual Melha Shrine Circus opens at the E.S. Coliseum, W. Spfld., on May 15th for a limited engagement one of the feature attractions will be the original George Hanneford Family.

Known as the "Royal Family of the Riding Ring" the Hanneford Family is certainly deserving of such a title. This name was bestowed upon the troupe as a result of many Command Performances in the famed London Palladium dating back to the 1st request by the Prince of Wales, now Duke of Windsor.

Today, the 5th generation of the Hanneford Family is performing in the same splendid tradition established by the great, great grandfather with his own circus in Ireland.

The Hanneford Family has long been recognized as the foremost equestrian artists by both the sporting and entertainment worlds. But, in addition they were the 1st to introduce comedy into a riding act.

In 1918, the Ringling Brothers were so impressed with the George Hanneford Family, that they brought them to the U.S. from England to star in their circus. And today, after nearly a 1/2 century, they are still one of the greatest attractions of the entertainment world. Besides their almost continuous performances in circuses, fairs, pageants and exhibitions, they have been seen in several motion pictures, including the beautiful spectacular "Jumbo".

They may be seen when the Shrine Circus is at the Coliseum, for just 3 nights and 4 matinees starting Thurs. May 15th. Tickets are now available at the Coliseum Box Office, open daily from 10:30 am to 6:00 pm., Mon. through sat.

## AGAWAM SENIOR CENTER

The Senior Center at 770 Main St., Agawam Center, is open daily from 10:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. Mon. through Fri.

Available to all senior citizens during these hours are all the facilities: color T.V., books, magazines, periodicals, cards, pool table, and soon to be added horseshoes and shuffle boards. No fees whatsoever are charged and attendance is at the person's convenience. Ceramics and knitting classes are available.

Health Consultation Service is available at the Center with the Town Nurse on the 1st Monday of the month at 9:00 A.M. for further info tel. 732-8451.

## LET'S CLEAN UP AGAWAM

Clip - and mail to Agawam Health Dept. 36 Main St., Agawam

location of littered area

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BOSTON, Apr. 25--George Downie of Agawam is among 32 general agency field reps. of the John Hancock Mutual Life Ins. Co. attending the Lifeline Career Conference this week at the company's home office in Boston.

Downie, who resides at Belden Court, is a special agent with the Spfld. gen. agency, 624 State St. He joined the company in July 1968.

The reps. from various sections of the nation are selected to attend the week-long session on the basis of their outstanding qualifications.

Downie, a graduate of Wm. Penn College in Oskaloosa, Iowa is a member of the Tatham Social Club, St. Anne Country Club and the Spfld. Life Underwriters. He and his wife have one son.

The ashes of certain plants reveal the ore content of the soil. There is a "zinc" pansy, a "lead" plant (*Amorpha canescens*) in Missouri, and milk vetch, prince's plume and woody aster indicate uranium. "Horse's tails" or scouring rushes may contain up to 4 1/2 oz. of gold per ton of plant material, the MASS. AUDUBON says.

## Tucson Church Council Supports Grape Boycott

Tucson, Ariz.—The Tucson Ecumenical Council, representing churches of most major religious denominations in Tucson, has given its backing to the boycott of California table grapes instituted by the AFL-CIO United Farm Workers Organizing Committee.

A statement by the council's directors noted the position of the American farm worker "at the bottom of the social and economic scale," and continued:

"To help alleviate his distress and aid him in this struggle to have the UFWOC recognized as his representative in collective bargaining . . . we heartily support the boycott of all California table grapes."

Rev. James T. Weber, council president, said the boycott campaign was undertaken as a "last resort" in the UFWOC effort to gain recognition. Father Weber pointed out that the annual income of most vineyard workers is "well below" federal poverty standards.

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## Nature's Ways

by Wayne Hanley  
Mass. Audubon Society

If spring marched steadily northward through New England like a giant unrolling a green carpet, you could throw away your calendar and mark the days by the unfolding of wildflowers.

But spring oozes northward and spreads inland, trickling around hill bases and sliding up valleys. It slithers around obstructions like the runoff from melting snow on a brick sidewalk.

That's why any list of wildflowers that will bloom in April in New England must be vague in naming the week in which to expect blossoms. It would require an individual forecast for every pocket and valley - and each hill top. Because spring travels uphill even more slowly than it rolls northward.

The coast line complicates the timing of New England's spring, which creeps early down the coast. Later it surges inland much faster than it speeds northward and overtakes the coast line's ocean-tempered season.

To me it's spring when the trailing arbutus, or mayflower, blooms. But the mayflower blooms tardily in the floral procession. In much of N.E., it will be May before the sweet scent of arbutus seeps up from the leaf-matted woods floor. But it's something to look for in late April.

Any hunt for early wildflowers will prove more profitable in a woods in April. The woodland flowers

bloom early, reaching for the sun before tree leaves plunge them into a summer of shade. When you find them, leave them alone. Almost every well-known April-blooming wildflower needs protection.

To help guide you to possible locations for April flowers, the list has been divided into three categories: dry woodlands, wet woodlands and marshes, and open roadsides.

Some of the flowers are extra-specialized. The early saxifrage, for instance, is a tiny 1/4 inch white flower that is grouped with the dry woodland flowers. It grows, however, in one place; the crevices of large stones. Folk tales credit the saxifrage with splitting stones. That's where it got its Latin name meaning "stone breaker."

The April list:

Dry woodlands - hepatica; common violet; downy yellow violet; bellwort; wood anemone; Dutchman's breeches; bloodroot and reticulate.

Wet woodlands, marshes - skunk cabbage; marsh marigold; white violet and spring beauty.

Open roadsides (meadows) - bluets. This tiny pale blue flower grows in the grass along roadsides and can be picked without harm.

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This year's Focus dates are August 1, 2 and 3, at the U. of M. The nature college is sponsored by Mass. Audubon's Arcadia Nature Center and Wildlife Sanctuary and its Focus Committee, which is chaired by award-winning photographer Leslie Campbell, FPSA, Hon. NEC.

Last year's 2nd Focus: Outdoors saw a 50% increase in attendance over the 1st year, and the conference bids fair to become the largest annual gathering of scientific and lay nature enthusiasts held anywhere in the world. This year should be the best gathering yet: For details write Arcadia Easthampton, Mass. 01027.

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Most of us wait until we're in trouble, and then we pray like the dickens. Wonder what would happen if, some morning, we'd wake up and say, "Anything I can do for You today, Lord?"

## NIH THE SEARCH FOR HEALTH

A REPORT FROM  
THE NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH  
BETHESDA, MARYLAND

### Surgery for Blue Babies

One of the best known in-born heart defects is the Tetralogy of Fallot, which is actually a combination of four malformations. First, there is a hole, usually large, in the muscular wall between the left and right ventricle. If the hole is large, the blood does not circulate properly. Blood from the left side of the heart, which has just come from the lungs, is forced into the right side of the heart and may be sent back to the lungs again.

The second defect is the displacement of the aorta so that it receives blood from both ventricles. The aorta sends this mixture of oxygenated and un-oxygenated blood to all parts of the body. Third, there is a narrowing of the pulmonic valve or of the outflow tract leading to the lungs. Last, the right ventricle is enlarged due to the strain of trying to pump blood through the narrowed pulmonary artery.

There is a reduced bloodflow to the lungs and a mixture of oxygen-poor blood and oxygen-laden blood being pumped to all parts of the body. Because blood low in oxygen is a blue-red color, the oxygen-starved baby takes on a bluish skin color.

Sometimes the symptoms of Tetralogy of Fallot begin in the first few weeks of life with difficulty in feeding, a failure to gain weight and poor development. The child may have shortness of breath and weakness and often assumes a squatting position which seems to ease these conditions.

The correction of this set of defects requires open-heart surgery. That is, the surgeon needs direct vision access to the heart for a period of time long enough to perform the oper-

ation. In order to do this, the heart-beat must be slowed or completely stopped. A heart-lung machine, which is outside the patient's body, takes over the function of the patient's own heart and lungs. It supplies oxygen to the blood and pumps it through the body.

An incision is made in the wall of the right ventricle and the hole between the two chambers is closed with a Teflon patch. This patch keeps oxygen poor blood from flowing into the aorta and on to the rest of the body. Next, the blockage to pulmonary bloodflow is relieved so that blood can travel easily to the lungs to pick up oxygen. This may entail enlarging the pulmonary valve and/or widening the outflow tract just below it by removing a section of the muscle that narrows it. Sometimes a patch must be inserted in the incision to widen the passageway.

Corrective surgery is usually postponed until the child is four years old or older. If symptoms are severe, another type of operation may be performed in infancy to temporarily ease the condition and keep the infant reasonably healthy until complete correction can be performed at a later date.

The results of successful operations are often quite dramatic and improvement is striking. The pulmonary blood-flow and amount of oxygen in circulation is increased. The bluish tinge disappears and exercise tolerance is greatly improved so that previously incapacitated children can run and play.

For more information, write to NIH Feature Service, Bethesda, Md. 20014, for a free copy of the new fully illustrated publication, "Cardiovascular Surgery," Publication No. 1701.

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Evans will officially welcome the Brook, Indiana, Lions Club at their Charter Night Celebration on April 16. Brook will be the 412th Lions Club in Indiana, with some 19,000 members in that state.

Lions International is probably best known for its work with the blind, maintaining eye banks and leader dog schools throughout the world. However, they have been responsible for the building and equipping of schools, hospital wards, rehabilitation centers, playgrounds, parks and civic centers.

The Lions famous motto, "We Serve", takes form in hundreds of thousands of projects each year within the ten major categories of Lionistic activities: agriculture boys and girls; citizenship and patriotism; civic improvements and community betterment; education; health and welfare; intrntl. relations; safety; sight conservation; and youth exchange.

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### American Legion

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Saturday, May-3-Agawam Legionnaires and their guests will attend the Hampden County Military Ball. Proceeds from this affair will help sponsor a marching band for the Legion Dept. Convention.

Mon., May 5-Regular meeting at the Legion Home by Unit 185, at 8:00 P.M. Poppy Day plans will be discussed.

Sat., May 10-Legion's Night with Charlie Muskes' at Post 277.

Sat., May 17-Legion, Aux., Sons of Legion and Aux., Juniors will distribute poppies at Riverside Park, beginning at 6:30 P.M.

Mon., May 19-Regular unit meeting at the Legion Home.

Sat., May 24-Public ham supper for the benefit of the Poppy program.

"On Poppy Day-there is a place for each of us in the distribution of the Memorial Poppy-in memory of those who have done so much to keep this great land of freedom, under God, a land of the free and the home of the brave. Let's wear a Poppy in remembrance-to those who have done much for us and for those still suffering the ravages of war." (Mrs. George Batten, Nat'l. Chaplain in the Nat'l. News).



## SCHOOL MENUS

May 1 - May 9

MILK SERVED WITH ALL MEALS

### PHILIPS SCHOOL

MON.: or ju., Frankfurt in buttered roll, rel. mus. & cat., wh. kernel corn, apple crisp w/cheese wedge, milk. TUE.: ju., oven fried chicken, masked pot., peas, cran. sauce, br. & but., ice cream, milk. WED.: St. Joe on But. Bun, green beans, po. chips, applesauce, rel. milk. THURS.: ju., hamburger in roll, rel. on, cat., buttered carrots, fruited jello w/topping, milk. FRI.: ju., grilled cheese sandwich, tossed gr. salad w/ spinach greens, peanut but. cookie, or. wedges, milk.

### GRANGER SCHOOL

MON.: ju., meat ball grinders, buttered gr. beans, cheese finger, peaches, mash. po., wh. kernel corn, br. & but., citrus jello w/whipped top., milk. WED.: ju., baked beans & frank rings (cat.), cabbage & carrot salad, br. & but., pears, milk. THURS.: ju., hamburger on roll, rel. & cat., cheese cube, but. carrots, onion rings, applesauce, milk. FRI.: ju., tom. soup, 1/2 hardboiled egg, peanutbutter & marsh. sand. cookies, fresh fruit, PEIRCE SCHOOL

MON.: or. ju., hot chick. sand. w/brown gravy, but. ker. corn, cran. sauce, br. & but., pump. pud. w/top., milk. TUES.: baked macaroni w/ham. & tom., but. carrots, cheese or pea. but. sand., or. pine. tidbits, milk. WED.: port w/brown gravy, wh. pot., but. leaf spinach, br. & but., spicy prune cake w/but. icing, milk. THURS.: mt. balls in tom. sauce, but. rice, but. gr. beans, cheese squares, or. fruited jello, milk. FRI.: gr. cheese sand, stewed tom., carrot sticks, pea. but. cookies, fruit cup, DANAHY SCHOOL

MON.: ju., frank. on but roll, corn, app. cake, milk. TUE.: ju., toasted ham & cheese sand., tossed salad, f.f. pot., wacky cake, milk. WED.: mac. w/meat & tom. sauce, but. green beans, cheese wedge, br. & but., peaches, milk. THURS.: ju., mt. ball grinders, carrots, fruit cup, cookie, milk. FRI.: ju., tuna fish sand., pea. but. sand., cab. & carrot salad, cheese wedge, applesauce, milk.

### S. ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

MON.: or. ju., st. franks on but. roll, mus. & rel., cheese sticks, but. carrots, fruit cup, milk. TUE.: hot open chic. sand. w/gr., but. peas, glaxed sw. pot., pea. but. w/hon. on rye br., deep dish apple sq. milk. WED.: baked shell mac. w/mt. spag. sauce, fruit slaw salad, but. Vienna br., rasp. jello w/top., milk. THURS.: citrus ju., cold cut grinder (mt., ch., let.), but. corn, but. cake w/ ban. top., milk. FRI.: baked beans-cat., gr. cheese on rye br., ABC salad, pine. cr. pud., w/top., milk.

### ROBINSON PARK SCHOOL

MON.: elbow mac. w/mt. & tom. sauce, but. gr. beans, br. & But. fruit cup, milk. TUE.: cit. ju., grinder (mt., ch., let. tom.), pot. chips, sl. pic., fruit, milk. WED.: br. mt. in gravy, mash. pot., but. broccoli, br. & but., jelly donut, milk. THURS.: ju., ham. on but. roll (cat.), but. carrots, wh. cake w/or. frost., milk. FRI.: or. ju., gr. ch. sand., pea. but. sand, gr. salad, pot. chips, fruit, milk.

### JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL

MON.: ju., sloppy joe on bun, but. carrots, fr. cup w/pea. but. cookie, milk. TUE.: ju., grinders (mt, ch, let, tom.), pot. chips, app. sauce w/but. cookie, milk. WED.: ju., ham. on bun, stewed tom., pea. but. sand., earrot cake, milk. THURS.: baked veal cut. w/creole sauce, mash. pot., but. broc., jel. w/top., br.&but., milk. FRI.: ju., mac. w/mt. balls, toss. salad, ban. cake, br.& but., milk.

### HUGH SCHOOL

MON.: or. ju., ham sal. on water roll, pot. chips, but. corn, pea. but. sand., choc. cake w/but. icing, milk. TUE.: or. ju., country style steak, br. gravy, mas. pot., but. carrots, br.& but., jello w/top. milk. WED.: or. ju., ham. on roll, farm. wife salad, pic. slices, must./rel/cat/sl.on., pea.but. sand., hermit cookies, milk. THURS.: sh.& bk. chicken, mash. pot. but. peas, cran. sauce, br.& but., or. tap. w/top. milk. FRI.: or. ju., tuna salad sailboats, gar. salad w/spin. greens & tom., pea. but. sand., rasp. prune pie sq., milk.

## Racing at Stafford Springs

If you are a believer in the adage that history repeats itself, put your money on Eddy Flemke when Stafford Springs Speedway welcomes the NASCAR modifieds, Friday night, May 2nd

The Southington, Ct., resident has a string of 2 straight inaugural victories on the banked 1/2 mile oval.

Then again, history or not, Flemke is always a good bet. In some 20 years, a conservative estimate puts the New Britain native's win total at 300.

Stafford is Flemke's type of track—the 1/2 mile where speed is paramount, but worth less without handling and a crafty driver.

"Stafford is a horsepower track," says Flemke. "The big element is speed—you have to get around better than the other guys. The diggerence in speed over the past 20 years is unbelievable.

It was in the early 1960's when Flemke, already a veteran of a dozen years, first started gaining national attention. He picked up a nickname—"The Southern Bandit" at the same time.

The nickname was a gift from his southern competitors who watched Flemke clean house at such southern ovals as Richmond, Va., Manassas, Va., Markboro, Md., and Winston-Salem, N.C. In 1962, Flemke won 17 Manassas features, including 11 in a

row. His secret-handling, Flemke's greatest contribution to modified racing. The Flemke front end—the split spring—stacking bolt set-up—was a Flemke innovation. Had he taken a patent on it, he would be a wealthy man today.

"Handling is a key factor in racing," Flemke says, "especially on tracks like Stafford. Speed is no good if you can't get the car to turn left. It is simply a case of controlling the speed.

"Auto racing for me really started on the spur of the moment, at least as a driver," Flemke remembers. "I built a car with another guy who was driving. He wasn't doing very well and one night I said something. He asked me if I could do better. I said yes."

Flemke went out and won the first heat he ever entered.

Still under 21, Flemke was running 6 nights a week by 1951. Drafted in 1952, he managed to win the Riverside Park sportsman title running when he could get a pass from Fort Dix.

On his return from the service in 1955, Flemke spent 4 years running Plainville and Riverside, winning track titles at the latter in 1956 and 1958.

The following year he joined NASCAR. The latter has been a lot richer for it.

## Well, What Do You Know? fun, games and knowledge



by MARTHA GLAUBER SHAPP, Editor, The New Book of Knowledge

### How to send messages in cipher and code

If you and your friends wish to share a secret, you can write it in code, and no one else will be able to read it. Codes are one way of writing in secret. Ciphers are another. In a code each word is written as a secret code word or code number. In a cipher each letter is changed. Secret writing that uses codes and ciphers is called cryptography.

Ciphers are divided into two types: transposition and substitution. In transposition ciphers the letters of the message are jumbled. To construct a simple transposition cipher, write the "clear," or original, message in horizontal lines containing an equal number of letters in each line. The message MEET ME AT FOUR TOMORROW might look like this:

MEET  
MEAT  
FOUR  
TOMO  
RROW

Decide on some route to follow, such as up and down the columns, and copy the letters in that order. If you start at the upper left-hand corner and go down the first column and up the next, the message will read MMFTTR ROOEE EAUMO WORTT. The person receiving the jumbled message must know or must figure out what route was followed. Then he can reconstruct the message.

In a substitution cipher the letters of the message do not change their order. Instead, other letters are substituted for the message letters. Every R in the message might be replaced by a T, every P by a B, and so on. To put a message into a simple substitution cipher, write out the alphabet. Then underneath it, write down the 26 letters of the alphabet in any order you wish. Substitute the letter in the bottom line for the letter in the top line whenever it appears in the message. If the person receiving the secret message does not know the key—which letter was substituted for which—he

may still be able to decipher the message. He will try different letters of the alphabet, beginning with the ones most often used. In English the letter E is used most often, so E would be tried in place of the letter that appears most frequently in the cipher. The letter T is the next most used, so it would be tried for the next most frequent letter in the cipher, and so forth. Here is a simple cryptogram, or secret message, based on a substitution cipher:

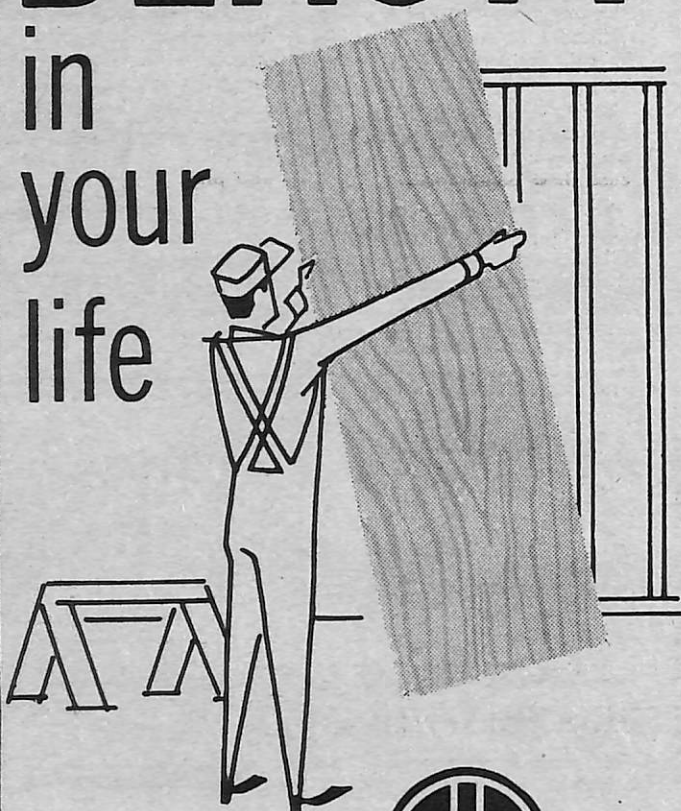
XOPPS OBE YTLE MQOSLE  
CB YCT QXC EOSM

And here is the solution: Wally and Fred stayed on for two days.

Codes are worked word by word instead of letter by letter. Because it would be very difficult to learn a code by heart, a code book must be used. Secret codes that are spoken rather than written are called jargon codes. In jargon codes important words are replaced by other words that seem to make sense when put together in a sentence. For instance, a list of code words may show that the jargon word LIBRARY stands for JACK'S HOUSE, MEET stands for GO, and ALWAYS stands for NOT. The sentence WE ALWAYS MEET AT THE LIBRARY would be decoded as DO NOT GO TO JACK'S HOUSE. Secret languages like pig Latin are a form of jargon code. They follow one simple rule. In pig Latin the rule is to move the first letter of each word to the end of the word and add the letters AY. DOG becomes OG-DAY. CATCHER becomes ATCHERCAY.

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To all persons interested in the  
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The executor of the will of said  
RODNEY L. HALL has presented to  
said Court for allowance his first  
and final account.

If you desire to object thereto you  
or your attorney should file a written  
appearance in said Court at  
Springfield before ten o'clock in the  
forenoon on the twentieth day of  
May, 1969, the return day of this  
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Witness, ABRAHAM I. SMITH,  
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instrument purporting to be the last  
Will of said deceased by EUGENE V.  
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DOROTHY SUNDERMAN SMITH  
of Springfield in the County of  
Hampden praying that they be ap-  
pointed executors thereof without  
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den, before ten o'clock in the fore-  
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Witness, ABRAHAM I. SMITH,  
Esquire, First Judge of said Court,  
this tenth day of April 1969.

JOHN J. LYONS, Register  
April 24, May 1, 8

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Hampden ss Probate Court

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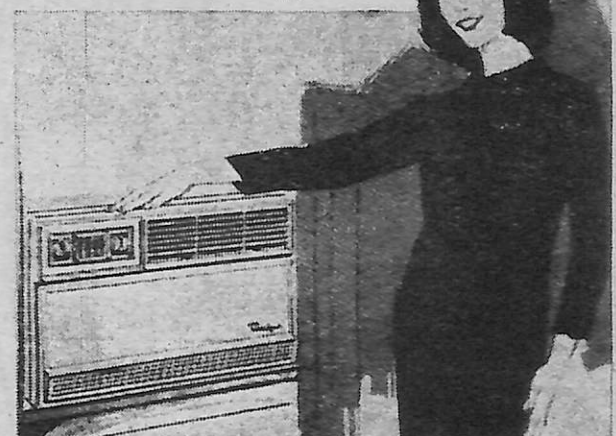
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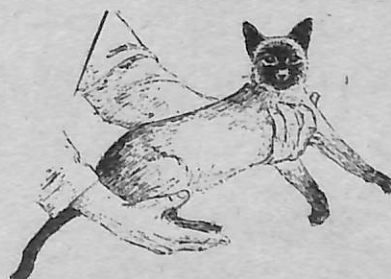
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